WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An audio/video (A/V) component networking system, comprising:
- a source component;
- a presentation device; and
- a sink component adapted to control presentation of A/V program data received from the source component on the presentation device, the sink component adapted to transmit a command to the source component to control display of an A/V menu data stream on the presentation device.
- 2. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to decode the A/V program data.
- 3. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to enable the user to access a menu interface associated with the source component.
- 4. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register the source component with the sink component.
- 5. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to transfer the A/V program data via a plurality of different types of communication networks.
- 6. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register a format of the A/V program data available from the source component with the sink component.
- 7. The system of Claim 1, wherein the source component is at least one of the group consisting of a satellite receiver component, a digital versatile disk (DVD) component, a cable component, a computer, a video recorder component, and a compact disc (CD) component.
- 8. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register the presentation device with the sink component.

- 9. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to filter the A/V program data available from the source component based on a format of the A/V program data.
- 10. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to filter the A/V program data available from the source component based on a type of the presentation device coupled to the sink component.
- 11. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to control a menu function associated with the A/V program data.
- 12. The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to access an A/V program data library of the source component.
- 13. An audio/video (A/V) component networking method, comprising: controlling, via a sink component, presentation of A/V program data received from a source component on a presentation device; and

controlling, via a command issued by the sink component to the source component, presentation of an A/V menu data stream on the presentation device.

- 14. The method of Claim 13, further comprising performing a registration operation to register the source component with the sink component.
- 15. The method of Claim 13, further comprising performing a registration operation to register a format of the A/V program data available from the source component with the sink component.
- 16. The method of Claim 13, further comprising decoding the A/V program data received from the source component.

- 17. The method of Claim 13, wherein controlling, via a command issued by the sink component, comprises transmitting the command to at least one of the group consisting of a satellite receiver component, a digital versatile disk (DVD) component, a cable component, a computer, and a compact disc (CD) component.
- 18. The method of Claim 13, further comprising accessing a menu interface of the source component.
- 19. The method of Claim 13, further comprising displaying to a user a menu interface associated with the source component on the presentation device.
- 20. The method of Claim 13, further comprising filtering the A/V program displayed on the presentation device based on a format of the A/V program data.
- 21. The method of Claim 13, further comprising filtering the A/V program data displayed on the presentation device based on a type of the presentation device coupled to the sink component.
 - 22. An audio/video (A/V) component networking system, comprising:

means for controlling, via a sink component, presentation of A/V program data received from a source component on a presentation device; and

means for controlling, via a command issued by the sink component to the source component, presentation of an A/V menu data stream received from the source component on the presentation device.

- 23. The system of Claim 22, further comprising means for accessing a menu interface of the source component via the sink component.
- 24. The system Claim 22, further comprising means for decoding the A/V program data received from the source component.
- 25. The system Claim 22, further comprising means for registering the source component with the sink component.

26. The system of Claim 22, further comprising means for filtering the A/V program data displayed on the presentation device based on a type of presentation device coupled to the sink component.